

ORNITHOLOGICAL NEWS

The 1968 Annual Meeting

The Proceedings of the 49th Annual Meeting held at Carbondale, Illinois 2-5 May 1968 will be published in the September issue of *The Bulletin*, but it can be reported here that the meeting was a successful one in every way. The following items will be of interest at this time.

The Council confirmed that the 50th Annual Meeting will be held on 1-4 May 1969 at Williamsburg, Va. Dr. Mitchell A. Byrd will be chairman of the local committee. It is anticipated that housing will be in short supply at that time of the year in Williamsburg, and so persons planning on attending the meeting will be advised to make arrangements early. A notice to this effect will be mailed in early 1969.

A feature of the 1969 meeting will be a symposium on current and future ornithological research trends, and the Council voted to award a prize of \$100 to the person, not holding a doctoral degree, giving the best paper at this meeting.

The Council also voted to increase the annual Fuertes Research Grant Award to \$200.

The meeting closed with the election of a new slate of officers, whose names appear on the inside front cover of this issue.

The Society owes a special debt of gratitude to C. Chandler Ross who has retired as Treasurer after five years of excellent service. It was Mr. Ross' fortune to preside over our treasury in a time of financial crisis, and after that had been solved, in a time of steadily increasing costs. He has given unstintingly of his time and effort to a difficult job during difficult times.

Brazilian Bird Recordings, including songs of the once thought legendary Uirapuru are now available. Contact Brazilian Bird Records, P.O. Box 5525, Washington, D.C. 20016 for further information.

The Cleveland County Bird Club of Norman, Oklahoma has organized a Committee for Quetzal Cloud-forest Preserves to alert citizen groups and conservation agencies on the threat to the habitat of this rare neotropical bird. Persons interested in obtaining further information, and in helping the cause should contact the Committee at P.O. Box 2666, Norman, Oklahoma 73069.

The South African Ornithological Society announces that the Third Pan African Ornithological Congress will be held on 15-19 September 1969 at Pretoriuskop in Kruger National Park, South Africa. Inquiries may be directed to: The Hon. Secretary, South African Ornithological Society, c/o Percy Fitzpatrick Institute, University of Cape Town, Rondebosch, Cape Town, South Africa. This constitutes a change in the date announced earlier.

Sadly, we report the death of Burt L. Monroe, Sr., Treasurer of the A.O.U. and Past-President of the Wilson Society on 17 May 1968.